

Amendments to the Claims:

Please cancel Claim 17, amend Claims 15 and 25, and add Claims 28 – 42 as indicated in the following listing of claims, which replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. – 14. (Canceled).

15. (Currently Amended) An article comprising:

a structural body having a plurality of stations, each such station being adapted to secure a microelectromechanical-systems (MEMS) die;

a recess within the structural body shaped to secure an edge of the MEMS die;

and

a flexible retaining arm adapted to retain the MEMS die within the recess,

wherein the flexible retaining arm includes a notch shaped for engagement with a tool for flexing the flexible retaining arm.

16. – 17. (Canceled).

18. (Original) The article recited in claim 15 wherein each such station includes an access to an underside of the MEMS die.

19. (Original) The article recited in claim 18 wherein the access comprises a hole in the structural body.

20. (Original) The article recited in claim 18 wherein the access comprises a slot in the structural body.

21. (Original) The article recited in claim 15 wherein the structural body is circularly symmetric and the plurality of stations are configured symmetrically about a central axis of the structural body.

22. (Original) The article recited in claim 15 wherein the article is formed as a single continuous structure.

23. (Original) The article recited in claim 22 wherein the article is formed of a fluoropolymer resin.

24. (Canceled).

25. (Currently Amended) An article comprising:
a structural body having a plurality of means for securing a microelectromechanical-systems (MEMS) die, wherein each such means for securing includes a flexible means for retaining the MEMS die within a recess in the structural body; and
a MEMS die secured within one of the means for securing.

26. (Canceled).

27. (Original) The article recited in claim 25 wherein the structural body is circularly symmetric and the plurality of means for securing are configured symmetrically about a central axis of the structural body.

28. (New) An article comprising:
a structural body having a plurality of stations, each such station being adapted to secure a microelectromechanical-systems (MEMS) die;

a recess within the structural body shaped to secure an edge of the MEMS die;
and
a flexible retaining arm adapted to retain the MEMS die within the recess,
wherein the article is formed as a single continuous structure.

29. (New) The article recited in claim 28 wherein the flexible retaining arm includes a notch shaped for engagement with a tool for flexing the flexible retaining arm.

30. (New) The article recited in claim 28 wherein each such station includes an access to an underside of the MEMS die.

31. (New) The article recited in claim 30 wherein the access comprises a hole in the structural body.

32. (New) The article recited in claim 30 wherein the access comprises a slot in the structural body.

33. (New) The article recited in claim 28 wherein the article is circularly symmetric and the plurality of stations are configured symmetrically about a central axis of the structural body.

34. (New) The article recited in claim 28 wherein the article is formed of a fluoropolymer resin.

35. (New) An article comprising:
a structural body having a plurality of stations, at least one such station securing a microelectromechanical-systems (MEMS) die;
a recess within the structural body shaped to secure an edge of the MEMS die;
and

a retaining arm positioned to retain the MEMS die within the recess.

36. (New) The article recited in claim 35 wherein the flexible retaining arm includes a notch shaped for engagement with a tool for flexing the flexible retaining arm.

37. (New) The article recited in claim 35 wherein each such station includes an access to an underside of the MEMS die.

38. (New) The article recited in claim 37 wherein the access comprises a hole in the structural body.

39. (New) The article recited in claim 37 wherein the access comprises a slot in the structural body.

40. (New) The article recited in claim 35 wherein the article is circularly symmetric and the plurality of stations are configured symmetrically about a central axis of the structural body.

41. (New) The article recited in claim 35 wherein the article is formed as a single continuous structure.

42. (New) The article recited in claim 41 wherein the article is formed of a fluoropolymer resin.